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1. Q. DID ITALIAN AMBASSADOR GAJA CALL AT THE DEPARTMENT TO ASK THAT THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT SEEK THE PUBLICATION IN TOTO OF ALL DOCUMENTS ON CIA PAYMENTS IN ITALY?

A. AMBASSADOR GAJA CALLED ON UNDER SECRETARY SISCO ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28. THE CALL WAS AT THE AMBASSADOR'S INITIATIVE.

ON BACKGROUND: THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT'S REQUEST THAT THE UNITED STATES PUBLISH ALL DOCUMENTS REPORTED TO INVOLVE CIA LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PAYMENTS IN ITALY HAS BEEN REFERRED TO THE APPROPRIATE

AUTHORITIES IN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION. AS YOU KNOW, THE PRESIDENT HAS NOT AUTHORIZED THE DECLASSIFICATION OF DOCUMENTS WHICH THE PIKE COMMITTEE WISHES TO PUBLISH.

- 2. Q. WHAT ABOUT REPORTS IN THE PRESS CONCERNING AMBASSADOR MARTIN AND PAYMENTS TO THE HEAD OF THE ITALIAN INTELLIGENCE SERVICE IN 1970?

 A. I UNDERSTAND THAT THE REPORT IS BASED ON THE PIKE COMMITTEE FINDINGS WHICH I HAVE NOT SEEN, AND I HAVE NO COMMENT.
- 3. Q. WHAT ABOUT REPORTS THAT THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN ROME HAS CONFIRMED U.S. PAYMENTS TO THE HEAD OF ITALIAN INTELLIGENCE?

A. TO MY KNOWLEDGE, THE U.S. EMBASSY HAS MADE NO SUCH CONFIRMATION. KISSINGER

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